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MARKED UP VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

Claim Amendments Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii)

31. (Amended) The apparatus of Claim 30[33], wherein the needle has a first portion from the proximal end to a shoulder point, wherein said outer surface of said first portion has a first taper, and a second portion from the shoulder point to the distal end, wherein said second portion has a second taper which is substantially greater than the first taper.